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EDITOR AMERICAN WATER COMPANY,	ICC Doc. No. 00-0340
Proposed General Increase in Water Rates.	

OBJECTION TO PROPOSED GENERAL INCREASE IN WATER RATES

NOW COMES the CITY OF PEORIA, by its attorney, CORPORATION COUNSEL RANDALL RAY, having previously entered its appearance and intervened in the above-captioned matter and formally objects to the proposed general increase in water rates filed in the above-captioned matter, and submits the attached Direct Testimony of Terry Kohlbuss and Stephen Van Winkle.

Respectfully submitted, CITY OF PEORIA, ILLINOIS

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<u>OFFERED BY CITY OF PEORIA</u>

Question: What is your occupation?

Answer: Director of the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission.

Question: Are you testifying in your official capacity as a member of that body?

Answer: No.

Question: Have you reviewed the rate filing by Illinois American Water in the above-

captioned matter?

Answer: Yes.

Question: Are the capital improvements listed as part of this rate filing spread evenly

throughout the entire Illinois American service area?

Answer: No, Peoria appears to be under-represented in terms of capital

expenditures included in this rate filing.

Question: Do the filings contain sufficient information to make a determination as to

whether the proposed rates are fair to the customers in the Peoria area?

Answer: No.

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<u>DIRECT TESTIMONY OF STEPHEN VAN WINKLE</u> <u>OFFERED BY CITY OF PEORIA</u>

Question: What is yo

What is your occupation?

Answer:

Director of Public Works for the City of Peoria.

Question:

Does the City of Peoria support the idea of a unified tariff for Illinois American

Water Co.?

Answer:

No.

Question:

Why not?

Answer:

The unified tariff has a number of detrimental effects on the Peoria District. The City objects to helping pay for capital improvements in Southern Illinois. It is our feeling that the Peoria District is large enough to cover necessary capital improvements without spreading those costs to other districts. It is also the City's position that a unified tariff makes it extremely difficult for the City of Peoria to determine whether its rates are

reasonable.

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